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PATENT REPLY FILED UNDER EXPEDITED PROCEDURE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.116

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In re Application of:

Lorraine Elisabeth Pena, et al.

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For: **NOVEL COMPOSITIONS OF MINOXIDIL**

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.192

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the Decision of the Primary Examiner mailed November 30, 2005 finally rejecting claims 1, 5-8, 10, 13-22, 30, 35, 62, 66, 68, 70-76, 111, 112, 115, 116 and 123-134 of the above-identified patent application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.

Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 as :

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Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) (fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of November 30, 2005 to and through March 30, 2006 comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of one month.

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	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE	
NOTICE OF APPEAL	\$200	\$	\$500	\$500.00	
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☐ TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$225	\$	\$450	\$	
☐ THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$510	\$	\$1020	\$	
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The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

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